



Village of Grosse Pointe Shores

Shorelines

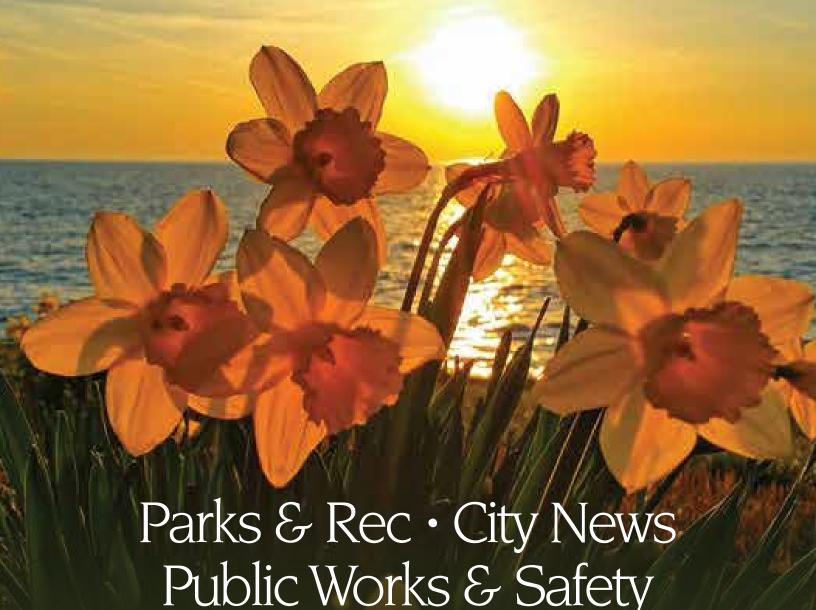


Photo Credit: Noted artist and resident Dominic Pangborn



On Behalf of the Mayor and City Council, I bring you greetings from City Hall.

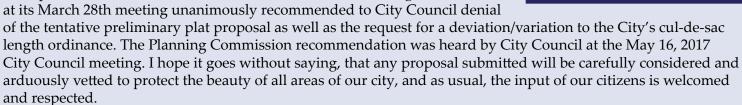
As always, the folks at 795 Lake Shore Rd. are working very hard for you, the citizens of this wonderful city. We are happy to report to you some of the recent developments within your city government.

We are in the process of taking bids for a significant redevelopment of our park. Access will be regulated with a guard house outside the city gates as is the case in the other Pointes. We believe that this will provide more parking for our residents and provide a greater degree of safety as well. The tennis courts are also on the docket with this plan, as many of you are aware the necessity for improvement for our tennis players. Many other beautification proposals are being reviewed as well, but suffice it to say, the park will undergo a significant change for the better!

It has been years in the making, but competition for cable services is now accelerated as WOW Cable Services is now open for business in Grosse Pointe Shores. A significant investment has been made in our city by WOW to improve our access cable, internet and phone services. Some of you may receive a visit to notify you of the new service available. While this took a reevaluation of our solicitation ordinance, our residents made it clear to us that this new service was greatly desired.

Our own City Hall, designed by the legendary Albert Kahn has received a commemorative plaque from the Grosse Pointe Historical Society and we are working on getting registered by the State of Michigan as a Historical Site.

55 S. Deeplands Rd. has generated significant discussion at several meetings. The site is currently owned by Comerica Bank. The developer proposed a L-shaped cul-de-sac with 18 homes sub-division. The Planning Commission, at its March 28th meeting unanimously recommended to City Council denial



If you have any issues or concerns for your city government, please feel free to attend our City Council meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. and have your say.

We wish you a happy and healthy Summer!

Dr. Alex Ajlouni, Council Member

Honoring Volunteers Who Serve Our City

The Mayor and Council as well as the Administrative Staff express sincere appreciation to all the Boards, Committees and Commission members who volunteer their countless hours and valuable expertise for the betterment of all the residents of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City. Volunteers are honored at our annual Volunteer Luncheon immediately following the 12:00 p.m. December City Council meeting. In addition to attending meetings, they take personal responsibility and pride in enriching our community with programs, events and activities that would not otherwise be possible. Thank you to all who make Grosse Pointe Shores a "Portrait of Unique Beauty & Community Pride"!!

Summer Happenings



Chess Tournament
Sunday, October 1st at 2:00pm at the Park Pavilion

Annual Grosse Pointe Shores

VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES 2ND ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW

1992 MODEL YEARS AND EARLIER ONLY

Sunday, September 10, 2017

12:00 Noon to 4:00 p.m.

Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Park (800 Lake Shore Road) Registration: FREE if registered by September 1st After September 1st - \$10.00

First 100 to register their vehicles will receive dash plaque and "swag" bag!

Concession Stand will be open



Awards:

Best Ford
Best Mopar
Best General Motors
Best Import
Best Other USA Manufacturer
Mayor's choice
People's choice



Have a classic car? Come join us on Sunday, September 10th for our second annual classic car show! Last year was enjoyed by so many that we had to do this again.

Don't have a classic car - then stop by the park and view the many on display, grab a bite to eat at our concession stand and just enjoy the afternoon.

This year with Patriot's Day the following day we will have our own first responder vehicles on display and we hope to have some military vehicles also. We are also expecting a vintage Pro Stock Drag car to be on display - the 1974 Plymouth Duster "Wire Car".

Classic Music from the 60's, 70's and 80's will be played. Cider and donuts will be served while supplies last. A special gift for the young classic car lovers will be handed out also while they last.

So polish that classic car, get that engine running and head on over to the Grosse Pointe Shores' Park on Sunday, September 10th. Have a friend or relative with a classic car - spread the word of this event - all are welcome. The registration form is available at the City offices or on our website (www.gpshoresmi.gov). Registration is free for those registering by September 1st - \$10.00 fee after September 1st.

Call City Offices at 881-6565 or Email: rricketts@gpshoresmi.gov to register your vehicle

Parks & Recreation

Park Pass Info

- 2017 park pass applications are available at city offices or online at gpshoresmi.gov under the park page.
- If you have submitted a park pass application for processing, passes are available for pick up by an adult at the Public Safety desk located on the first floor of the Municipal Building.
- Park passes are issued to all residents 8 years and older.
- Replacement park passes cost \$5 and can be obtained at city offices.

Osius Park Info

Pool Office: 884-2305 Gate House: 884-7018

Park Hours:

April 15th – Memorial Day: 7:00am – 11:00pm Memorial Day - Labor Day: 6:00am - 12 Midnight Labor Day – November 15th: 7:00am – 11:00pm November 15th – April 15th: 7:00am – 7:00pm



Osius Park Concession Stand **Hours of Operation**

Memorial Day – 11:00am- 6:00pm Memorial Day – June16 (weekends only) Friday – 3:00pm - 6:00pm Saturday – 3:00pm - 7:00pm Sunday - 3:00pm - 6:00pm

After June 16 Monday - Friday - 11:00am - 6:00pm Saturday - 11:00am - 7:00pm Sunday – 11:00am - 6:00pm

July 9, Splash Day – 11:00am - 6:00pm September 10, Car Show- 12:00 - 4:00pm

For more information call 586-771-7744

Picnic Reservations

Reservations must be made at City Hall during normal business hours. The Pavilion is available for reservation accompanied by a \$25 usage fee and a \$150 refundable deposit due at the time of reservation. The deposit may be retained for cleaning charges unless the Pavilion is returned to its original condition.

> Monday - Friday (Weekdays) Maximum of 100 Persons per event Saturday / Sunday (Weekends) Maximum of 75 Persons per event Guest list required for reservation of 10 or more Persons

Park Improvement Update

Funds From the special 1 Mill Levy have been set aside for park improvements and to completely rebuild the tennis courts at the GPS George Osius Municipal Park.

Bids have been solicited for the following:

• To completely rebuild the courts keeping them in their current location • To move and rebuild the courts to the south west under utilized section of the park.

> The 2 north courts have been temporarily repaired and will be open this season for use until the project is complete.

In addition, plans call for widening the entrance and creating a new welcoming house which will be staffed by a gate guard.

Demolition and construction should begin shortly after labor day in order to take advantage of obtaining the best bids and to not interfere with summer activities.

We will keep you updated as this project progresses!



Registration: Park Classes Monday, June 12th at 4pm at the Pool Office

Tai Chi

Classes Begin June 5th Residents \$50 for 6 weeks Non-residents \$55 for 6 weeks

Monday: 10:00 – 11:00am Tuesday Evenings: 6:15pm – 7:15pm Wednesday Mornings: 10:00am – 11:00am Thursday: 10:00am – 11:00am

3 Sessions

(6/5 - 7/21) (7/24 - 9/9) (9/11 - 10/8)

No Classes week of 7/3 week of 7/31

Instructor Jennifer Silverston

Aqua Zumba

(low impact, high energy)
Registration 6/12 @ 4:00pm at the park
Classes Begin 6/20
Residents \$70 for 9 weeks
Non-Residents \$75 for 9 weeks
Tuesday: 6:30 – 7:30pm
Thursday: 6:30 – 7:30pm

6/19 - 8/25 No Classes week of July 4th

Swim and Tennis Lesson Sign-Up

Swim \$40 per 2 week session Tennis \$30 per 1 week session 1st Session lessons begin Monday, June 19th

Early Morning Swim

Monday through Friday 5:30am to 8:00am \$50 for 11 week season (\$70 for non residents) beginning June 19th, 2017

Sharks Swim Team

Come join your neighbors, Registration is still open! As a SHARK you will compete in swim meets hosted by neighboring parks, participate in an ice cream social, go bowling, enjoy picnics after every Wednesday swim meet, a team camp out and a year end banquet. Please contact the city office for more information on how to sign up!

Nick Valice will return as our Sharks Swim Team Coach for 2017. Nick has an extensive swim and coaching background and is eager to bring his knowledge and expertise to the team.

The Shark Swim Team is looking for Parent Volunteers!! The team needs your help in assisting with meet picnis and team activities. Thank you for all who take part. Please contact Kathy Mermiges at Merm1968@msn.com



2017 Calendar of Park Activities

June

4

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Swim Team Ice-Cream Social @ GPS Municipal Park 12

Class / Lesson registration 4:00 p.m. Pool Office 19

Tennis Lessons Begin Swim Lessons Session 1 21

5:30 PM - Home Swim Meet GPW @ GPS 24

10:00 AM - Relay Swim Meet @ GPP

July

28

5:30 PM - Swim Meet GPS @ SCS 5

5:30 PM - Home Swim Meet GPP @ GPS 8

9:00 AM - Mini Swim Meet GPS @ GPC C

Community Splash Party 1:00 - 4:00 PM 10

Swim Lessons Session 2

12

5:30 PM - Swim Meet GPS @ GPF 13

Community Movie Night @ GPS Park 15

9:00 AM - Mini Swim Meet GPF @ GPS 18

GPPL Story Time @ the Park 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM 19

5:30 PM - Home Swim Meet GPC @ GPS

Swim Team Camp Out & Movie Night

22

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM Fishing Derby @ Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Park Pier 25

8:00 AM - Prelims @ GPW Hosted by GPF **26**

5:30 PM - Swim Finals @ GPW Hosted by GPF 27

6:00 PM - Swim Team Banquet August

21

Solar Eclipse Viewing 2:27 PM

24

Movie Night @ GPS Municipal Park 26

11:00 AM - Tennis Tournament @ GPS Municipal Park 5

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Doggie Days of Summer @ GP Shores Pool

September

10

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM Classic Car Show @ GPS Municipal Park **October**

1

2:00 PM - Chess Tournament @ GPS Municipal Park Pavilion

November

18

Halloween BOO Fest 6:00 - 7:30 PM 15

Harbor Closes for the season

26

6:00 PM - Lighting of the Village

Visit the GPS website at gpshoresmi.gov for updated park and harbor rules

City News

August 8, 2017 Primary Election Dates:

July 10th – Last day to register to Vote August 5th – Last day to obtain A/V Ballots (City offices open at 8:30am – 2:00pm) August 8th – Primary Election Polls Open 7:00am – 8:00pm

Services for Older Citizens

is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping older citizens maintain their lives in independence and dignity. The services provided by SOC greatly assist in relieving some of the anxieties experienced by many seniors.

Call (313) 882-9600 to get more information about all of SOC's services and programs.

158 Ridge Road, Grosse Pointe Farms. Meals offered daily.

Important Voter/Election Information for November 7th General Election

October 10th - Last day to register to vote November 4th - Last day to obtain AV Ballots

For your convenience, city offices will be open this day from 8:30am – 2:00pm

November 7th - General Election Polls open 7am – 8pm

Election workers needed, must be 18 years or older. Please contact City Hall at 881-6565

Sponsor A Garden

The Grosse Pointe Shores Beautification Committee invites you to sponsor or re-sponsor a garden for 2017. Your tax-deductible donation will help to purchase annuals and/or perennials or bulbs for one of the gardens or lamp-post pots throughout the village. In return, that garden will be planted with you recognized on a garden tile as its sponsor for a full year's growing season from late May until late May. Gardens may be sponsored in memory or honor of another person.

Sponsorships range in cost from \$100 - \$200 If you would like to sponsor a garden for 2017, please contact the Administrative Office at

(313) 881-6565

Pointes Area Assisted Transportation

Provides door-to-door transportation service for Grosse Pointes/Harper Woods seniors and the handicapped of all ages.

Call the POINTES AREA ASSISTED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES at (313) 343-2580 for fare and schedule information.

Now based at SOC offices, 158 Ridge Rd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

LIBRARY UPDATE

Coming Soon!

There will be a library book drop off box installed soon in our north parking lot allowing residents easy access to returning library books.

Reminder

GPS Residents are entitled to a library card which can be used at any of the 3 Grosse Pointe Library Branches.

Central Branch: 343-2074 Ewald Branch: 821-8830 Woods Branch: 343-2072

WOW

The installation of infrastructure for WOW Cable service in Grosse Pointe Shores is now complete!

WOW is now marketing in the area

Please visit

www.wowway.com

or call 1(800) 343-2076 for installation information.



Watch your monthly Council Meeting on our website: gpshoresmi.gov

Click on meeting videos on the left side bar of the home page

Stories at the Park

GPPL at Your Parks Program provided by the Youth Services Librarians Story Time at the Park will be at the Osius Park Pavilion on Tuesday July 18th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

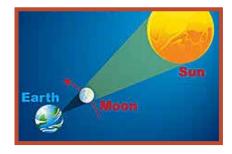
Solar Viewing

Solar Eclipse Viewing at Osius Park Monday August 21st at 2:27 p.m.

A spectacular total eclipse of the sun will grace the daytime skies of the continental United States with an 80% maximum for Metro Detroit at 2:27 p.m.

Visit the Park Gate to get a free pair of eclipse glasses for safe viewing.





A BIG THANK YOU to resident, Daniel Stahl of Stahls, Inc. for donating the Grosse Pointe Shores Arbor Day Fun Run t-shirts again this year. His generosity and assistance in helping us with this event is very much appreciated!!

Tax Payments Accepted by Credit Cards

Beginning with the Summer 2017 tax bill, you can now pay online with your credit card.

Visit the City's wedsite at www.gpshoresmi.gov. Under the "Department" tab, click on Assessing/Taxes. Once there, you can navigate your way to the parcel that you wish to pay property taxes for.

Point & Pay is the secure payment process provider for the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores. There is a 3% convenience fee that will be displayed prior to acceptance of the payment. The convenience is charged by the payment process provider and not the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores.

At this time, credit card payments for property taxes will only be available through our website and not available in our office.

Attention Taxpayers in the Macomb County portion of Grosse Pointe Shores

Macomb County taxpayers of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores will see a change in their tax bills beginning with the summer 2017 tax bill.

Collection of the South Lake Schools portion on the tax bill will now be collected with the summer bill instead of the winter bill. Expect to see a larger summer bill and a much smaller winter bill beginning this year.

Tax Bills

<u>Summer tax bills</u> will be mailed to property owners in the last week of June and are due Wednesday, September 14th without penalty or interest. Please check your PRE (principal residence exemption) status on your tax bill to make sure that our office has the correct status. If your tax bill indicates "PRE/MBT %: 100", our office is showing that parcel of property as your principal residence. The PRE only affects your winter tax billing in Grosse Pointe Shores. <u>Winter tax bills</u> are normally mailed to the property owner the last week of November. They are due December 1st and payable through February 14th without interest or penalty. On March 1st, all unpaid tax bills are deemed delinquent and the information is forwarded to the County Treasurer for collection.

Public Works



2017 DPW Staff

InfraSource, working in coordination with DTE, is continuing its work installing new gas mains in Grosse Pointe Shores South of Lochmoor.

Residents are advised to watch for letters & door hangers explaining the progression of the work crews.

Please be patient as the crews work through your area and contact DPW Director Brett Smith @ 886-0020 to report any concerns or damage to your property.

Equipment Update

The DPW has added some new equipment to it's aging fleet.

- A 2017 freightliner Dump Truck with a salt spreader and snow plow was purchased to replace the cities 24 year old dump truck.
- A 2017 Hustler Zero Turn Mower was purchased to assist with the cities landscape needs.



Edsel & Eleanor Ford House - Water Main Extension

Fontana Construction, Inc. has begun construction on a water main extension project along Lake Shore Road, from Crestwood Drive to the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House Property. The Ford House is paying for the water line and the looping of the system which also provides a benefit to the last several blocks in our system resulting in better water pressure. The project is expected to be completed by late summer.

Local Traffic will be maintained at all times during construction with the exception of possible minor interruptions. Residents will be notified prior to any temporary interruption in access to their driveways. Please obey the posted construction signs, and observe and respect the work crews in the area during construction. Every effort will be made to minimize any inconvenience to all area property owners. Your patience and cooperation is appreciated during this time.

Building Department Information

Permit/variance requests, along with the appropriate number of plans, must be submitted to the building department 15 days prior to a Planning Commission meeting (check the GPS municipal calendar or cable TV Channel 12 for exact date). Meetings are normally held at 8am on the fourth Tuesday of the month (Call the City Administrative Office to check for date or time changes). When planning construction of new homes, plans showing storm water and footing drains connected to the sanitary sewer will be rejected--The drains CANNOT be connected to the sanitary sewer. The City's requirement is to have ALL footing drains disconnected from the sanitary sewer lines.

The Grosse Pointe Shores Public Works Department has been installing new radio read water meters to many residences this past year. The new meters will reduce the amount of time required for our staff to read each meter within the City and also communicate daily with our Water Department personnel. Alerts are relayed to the Water Department when there appears to be unusual water usage. Upon receiving an alert of unusually high water usage, the staff will contact the homeowner.

We have had several alerts come through this past winter alone where a homeowner was out of town on vacation and there was a sudden increase in water usage. The staff was able to contact the homeowner (or an emergency contact on file) with the water meter information and action was able to be taken to avoid a potentially larger utility bill and also lessen the damage to the home in cases of waterline ruptures.

These alerts will also help when underground lawn sprinkler lines break. With the lines being underground, that are not always noticeable above ground.

If you are interested in having one of these new radio meters installed, please call the Public Works Department. In most cases, the new meter can be installed in less than an hour and it is FREE.

Water/Sewer Bills too High?

With rising utility rates, it is important to make sure that you are not incurring higher water/sewer charges due to problems within your home and/or sprinkler system. Do you have a backup sump pump that runs on city water? If so, make sure that the sump pump system has reset to electric usage when the power has returned.

Many homes within Grosse Pointe Shores are equipped with back-up sump pumps that are activated when there is a power outage. Several of these back-up systems use water. If your electricity should cease within your home, even if it is just for a few seconds and your home is equipped with a back-up sump pump, please make sure to check on your sump pump system when power is restored to make sure that the sump pump system has reset correctly. There have been a few instances where the homeowner was unaware that their back-up system (that uses water) was still functioning full time adding hundreds of dollars to their quarterly water bill.

Do you notice water movement in your toilet bowl when not in use? Many times there may be an issue with the flush valve not working correctly. You can easily check to see if there is a leak by placing special dye tablets in the toilet tank or even food coloring. If the water in the toilet bowl turns to the color of the tablet or coloring, you have a leak. The dye tablets are available through the administrative offices and through our water department. Make sure all water faucets are not dripping. You would be surprised how much water is used by just one bad washer in the faucet. It is always a good idea to use your dishwasher and washing machine when you have a full load. The average dishwasher uses six gallons of water with each load regardless of how many items are being cleaned. Your washing machine can use as much as 40 gallons of water; energy efficient washing machines use about half.

Do you have a soggy spot in your yard? You may have a leak in your sprinkler system. If you are not handy with a shovel, you may want to contact a sprinkler system contractor. If your sprinklers are set to automatically activate on certain days and times, make sure they are not running during peak water usage times (5am - 9am) as this will affect future rate increases from the City of Detroit. Also, if it is raining and your sprinklers are in use, manually shut the sprinklers down.

Please note - the City waters the Lake Shore Road islands and city properties using water from the lake. It is important to note that as water meters age, the meter will slow down or stop. Water meters do not speed up. For those that would like to pay their water/sewer bill by credit card, there is also a secure link to do so on the City's website.

Go Green & Clean

Grosse Pointe Shores wants to remind you to help keep the watershed clean!

Many items found in homes, garages, and yards can cause serious stormwater pollution if they are washed into the storm drains and allowed to flow untreated into the Clinton River. Everyone can prevent stormwater pollution by taking simple steps, such as, taking household cleaning or pesticide materials to a Household Hazardous Waste collection event. We also remind you to make sure to put all pet waste, and household trash in the garbage. Compost yard waste at home or send to your waste collector separate from trash. Remember if you wouldn't put it directly into the river, do not put it in the storm drain.

Helpful tips for keeping the watershed clean:

- Never dispose of paint or paint-related products into the gutters or storm drains. This is illegal dumping.
 - Do not blow, sweep, hose or rake leaves or other yard trimmings into the street, or storm drain.
 - For one time use items, only buy what you need, so storage or waste will not be a problem.
- Oil-based paints should be cleaned with paint thinner. Paint thinner can be filtered and reused. Used thinner can be set aside in a closed jar to settle out paint particles and can be stored in a well-ventilated location.
 - Choose earth friendly landscaping. Use non-toxic products for your garden and lawn whenever possible.
 - Use pesticides sparingly. Clean up after your pet. Practice good car care. Conserve water.

Please refrain from outdoor watering between 5:00am and 9:00am

Recyclables:

In addition to metal, glass and plastic containers, GFL Sanitation also picks up household batteries (in plastic bags), and magazines (in bundles) separate from newspapers placed in your recycling bins before 7:00am.

Large recycle bin containers are available for purchase at the City Offices for \$60

GFL Sanitation Services 1-844-464-3587 gfluscustomerservice@gflenv.com



Outdoor Watering

In order for the City to keep water rates down, we are requesting residents to limit their outdoor watering to non-peak hours. Please water your lawns between 11:00pm and 4:00am. (Please refrain from watering between 5:00am – 9:00am). Please be advised all municipal grounds are watered from lake access so residents are advised not to drink water from the sprinkling system. Thank you for your cooperation.

Collection of Yard Clippings and Garden Rubbish

A seasonal service beginning on the Monday closest to April 1, ending on the Friday closest to November 30. These must be placed at the curb in appropriate paper bags for collection on your scheduled day. Tree limbs and branches (brush) must be placed at the curb in lengths of four feet or shorter and tied in bundles weighing less than 50 pounds.

Collection of Leaves:

This (curbside) service begins October 16th, and ends on December 1st, coinciding with the end of the yard clippings and garden rubbish collection. The leaf vacuum takes the leaves left at the curb by residents raking their own leaves.

Lake St. Clair Direct Drainage Subwatershed

http://www.crwc.org/watershed/subwatersheds/lakestclair/

Wayne County 24-Hour Hotline

http://www.waynecounty.com/doe_wqm_res_idep_investigation.htm

Wayne County HHW Program

http://www.waynecounty.com/doe_lrm_prog_swplanning_hhwp.htm

RV Waste Dumps in Michigan

http://www.rvdumps.com/dumpstations/michigan

Public Safety

2016 PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICE AWARDS

#1 Public Safety Officer Tony Spina – Departmental Commendation

On 26 February 2016, PSO Spina was assigned to uniform patrol when GPF dispatch made a broadcast that a vehicle with a possibly intoxicated driver was northbound on Lake Shore in the southbound lanes, leaving GPF and entering GPS. Upon contacting the driver there was movement inside the vehicle and the officer immediately issued commands to the driver to keep his hands in sight. An OWI investigation was started and upon removing the driver it was learned that the subject was armed with and attempting to produce a 12" knife that was in his pocket. The subject was disarmed, handcuffed, arrested and processed for transport. At the station it was learned that this subject had just hours earlier committed a 1st Degree home invasion in Taylor Michigan. PSO Spina used extreme caution in protecting himself on the stop and search of the driver. He removed a drunk driver from the roadway, and a known felon with an extensive Criminal History from the street.

#2) Public Safety Officer Jason Rengert – Letter of Commendation

On 27 July 2016, Public Safety Officer Jason Rengert while working radar in a traffic car on Lake Shore and Oxford, received a speed reading on a vehicle traveling 70 MPH in a 35 zone. The vehicle was stopped, a female driver was identified and Jason proceeded with an OWI Investigation. Results of a preliminary breath test revealed that the driver had more than 3X the legal limit of alcohol in her system, was passively resistant, belligerent, argumentative, disregarding verbal commands and made several implied racial accusations. Officer Rengert's handling of this arrest was patient, professional and excellent police work from a veteran officer.

#3 Lieutenant Scott Rohr - Grosse Pointe Shores Director's Award

The Grosse Pointe Shores Directors Award is new this year, is years in development and recognizes the officer that consistently exceeds the expectations of the job description under which they work. This individual demonstrates every day that he is not bound by what is expected, but by what is required every day for the organization to function smoothly. This years recipient of the Director's Award is Lieutenant/Paramedic Scott Rohr who is assigned to our Detective Bureau. Lt. Rohr has excelled in efficiently managing numerous projects for Public Safety.



Pictured are PSO Tony Spina, PSO Jason Rengert and Lieutenant Scott Rohr.
Photo courtesy of K. Michelle Moran, Grosse Pointe Times

GROSSE POINTE SHORES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SMART 9-1-1

Smart 911 is a free service available to all individuals and families nationwide. Smart 911 allows citizens to create a Safety Profile for their household that includes any information they want 911 and emergency response teams to have in the event of an emergency.

When you sign up for Smart911, you can create a secure Safety Profile that will display on the call taker's screen if you ever have to dial 9-1-1 in the event of an emergency. You can add as much or as little to your profile as you want – the choice is yours – but it is recommended to add any details you would want responders to know if you do have an emergency – things like medical conditions and medications, address details, and photos of yourself, children, or elderly prone to wandering.

Smart 911 gives you, as a citizen, the ability to proactively provide important details about yourself and your family to 9-1-1 before an emergency happens. Your information is stored in our secure facilities and is only made available to 9-1-1 when you make an emergency call from a phone tied to your Safety Profile.

How is My Information Validated?

Smart911 has several protocols in place to ensure that information within your Safety Profile is current and accurate. Each phone number within your profile must be validated. Once you enter your phone number you can choose whether you want to receive a phone call or text message in order to confirm your phone. If you receive an automated call you will be asked to press "1" to confirm. If you receive a text message, you will be given a 4 digit code to be entered into your profile to confirm.

In addition, Smart911 requires that each profile must be confirmed or updated every 6 months to ensure that current and accurate information is being provided to 9-1-1. This can be done by simply logging into your account. You will receive reminder messages from Smart911 if you are approaching the 6 month mark to confirm your account.

Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety encourages all citizens to check out this important, optional & FREE program at www.smart911.com. Currently, Smart911 is working on installation and should be fully operational in Spring of 2017.

John J. Schulte Chief of Police/ Director of Public Safety



Nixle Alerts

The Nixle program is your link to local public safety alerts and community announcements delivered by your choice of text message or email. Subscribe to Nixle free of charge by logging on to www.Nixle.com. Nixle is a secure communications service. There is no SPAM or advertising associated with Nixle messages. We urge all residents to take advantage of this informational service.



Chief John J. Schulte Director of Public Safety

POLICE - FIRE - EMS Telephone: 881-5500 Fax: 640-1661

The following items are reminders that will assist your Public Safety Department:

- Remember there is no parking on the street between 2am 5am. If you or your guests need to park on the street, please contact the Public Safety Department. This will assist the officers and avoid unnecessary parking violations.
- Avoid crimes of opportunity, lock your vehicle at all times. Remove all items of value, such as computers, cell phones, wallets and electronic devices from your vehicle overnight and whenever your vehicle is unattended.
- If you hire a contractor for your leaves, the contractors may not leave them in the street for removal by the Village. Snow must not be plowed into the street or left to block driveways. Permits are required for snow plowing contractors and are available at the Public Safety desk. Proof of insurance is required prior to purchase.
- The Public Safety Department employs part time clerks to staff the Public Safety desk 24 hours a day to perform administrative and clerical duties for Police, Fire and EMS. Residents currently have the ability, with use of the phone tree, to make their non-emergency and administrative calls directly to the appropriate personnel or department within the City. 9-1-1 calls continue to report directly to the dispatch center.
- If you plan to be on vacation or away, please notify the Public Safety Department to put your home on our watch list by calling our non-emergency line at 881-5500.
- Do not leave your clothes dryer or dishwasher running while you are away. Lint can ignite in the dryer or plastic in the dishwasher.
- Battery smoke alarms **SAVE LIVES**. Replace the batteries at the start and the end of daylight savings time. Smoke alarms should be installed at the top of each set of stairs, in the furnace room, and near the bedrooms.
- Please notify our Public Safety Department immediately anytime day or night if you observe anything that seems out of the ordinary or suspicious.
- The Court Office is located on the first floor of the Municipal Building and is open from 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday and closed daily for lunch between 12:30pm and 1:30pm. The court office phone number is (313) 881-5503.

- As a courtesy, Grosse Pointe Shores is offering its municipal lobby as a Safe Haven for Craigslist and other transactions. The lobby is under video surveillance and offers a safe location to buy and sell items to and from strangers.
- Residential Property Maintenance

To keep our community beautiful, city ordinance requires residents to keep their property well maintained:

- Maintain brick, paint, siding and gutters on dwellings and garages.
- Lawns and shrubs are to be regularly cut and trimmed.
- Building materials or cut brush cannot be stored on the property.
- Permits are required and 10 day time limits apply to dumpsters and storage pods.
- No advertisements or notices of any kind can be posted on city property

A complete list of ordinances can be found on our Building Department website @ gpshoresmi.gov. The building department page lists those construction projects where permits are required.

DIAL 911 FOR EMERGENCIES

The Department of Public Safety's non-emergency number is 881-5500

Bike Riders: PLEASE, use your bells/horns to warn pedestrians well in advance of your approach.

Permits are required for the following:

Garage Sale; Fee is \$25 Limit one sale per household per year. Parking of recreational vehicle (in driveway) Fee is \$25 for 48 hours Call 881-5500

Dumpster & Pod Permits

Fee is \$50 with a 10 day Maximum

Pet News

Now is the time to get your 2017 pet license tags, available at the police desk:

- \$7 for neutered/spayed pets
- \$10 for non-neutered/spayed pets
- License tags expire on December 31st!

Key Fobs are required to gain entry to the dog park. This will require an application, proof of license and a \$10 fee, which may be obtained at the city office. Fobs will coincide with dog licenses expiring on December 31st.

MAKE YOUR CAT AN INDOOR PET!!

Dogs must be confined to their own yards or be on a leash when walking.

City Directory

Attention Residents

Please remember to visit the Grosse Pointe Shores website at **gpshoresmi.gov**. It offers a variety of information useful to residents such as:

- Recent News
- Tax and Assessing Information
- Building Information
- Ordinances
- Meeting Dates
- Web Calendar

Important Reminders

The summer tax bills will be mailed out to property owners the last week of June

- Payments will be accepted beginning July 1st without penalty through 9-14-17. (with 9-14-17 U.S. Post Office Postmark!)
- Delinquent Taxes will be taken to the County on 3-1-2018.
- Water bills are mailed quarterly. Mailing is December, March, June and September. They are due the first week in January, April, July and October.
- We encourage all residents to supply their email address on their park pass application and/or updating their census form to receive additional information.

Ted J. Kedzierski, Mayor

Robert Gesell, Mayor Pro Tem
Alexander Ajlouni, Council Member
Robert Barrette, Council Member
Bruce Bisballe, Council Member
Tina Ellis, Council Member
Doug Kucyk, Council Member
Bruce Nichols, City Clerk

Mark Wollenweber, City Manager
Rhonda Ricketts, Finance Officer & Treasurer
Pete Bierzynski, WCA Assessing
John Schulte, Public Safety Director
Brett Smith, Public Works Director
Harold Michaux, Grounds Supervisor
Kay Drake, Parks/Recreation and Pool Manager
Brian Renaud, City Attorney

GPS TELEPHONE DIRECTORY:

City Administration: 881-6565
Dept. Of Public Safety: 881-5500
Court Office 881-5503
Dept. Of Public Works: 886-0020
Municipal Park - Gate: 884-7018
Pool Office: 884-2305

EMERGENCIES ONLY: 911

TDD Unit (for the hearing impaired): 343-0666

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT STAFF

Tom Krolczyk Laurie Duncan Lynn Michaux

GPS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE HOURS:

Mon - Fri 8:30am to 5:00pm DPW: Mon - Fri 7:30am to 4:00pm GPS website: gpshoresmi.gov

If you are interested in finding out what's going on in the city on a monthly basis, please sign up for the Grosse Pointe Shores monthly newsletter by email.

Please contact the city office at **881-6565** to add your email address